

Hampton Police Division Media Release

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UPDATE: Crime Line Tip Leads to Arrested Suspect in Manhunt Investigation: 1900 Coliseum Drive

The Hampton Police Division has arrested **Benjamin Tyler Powell** in connection with Manhunt Investigation which occurred in the 1100 block of Big Bethel Road on May 7, 2014.

On May 8, 2014, at 8:03 p.m., the Hampton Police Division responded to the Days Inn located in the 1900 block of Coliseum Drive after receiving information on the alleged location of wanted suspect, **Benjamin Tyler Powell**. Once officers were able to confirm that Mr. Powell was in a room inside of the establishment the Hampton Police Division's Tactical Team and Crisis Negotiation Teams were deployed. Negotiations were initiated and continued until 1:10 a.m., May 9 when Mr. Powell surrendered peacefully and without incident. He did not sustain any injuries as a result of the previous incident off of Big Bethel Road.

Mr. Powell, a 24-year-old Hampton man, with a last known address in the 500 block of Eubank Drive will be served on warrants which were obtained as a result of the Big Bethel Road Incident for of one count of Attempt Maiming, one count of Brandishing andone count of Possession of a Firearm by a Convicted Felon. He will also be served on outstanding warrants for one count of Felony Probation and one count of Failure to Appear on a Felony Charge. The investigation is on-going and it is unknown at this time if there will be any additional charges.

The Hampton Police Division would like to thank the Virginia State Police, U.S. Marshalls and the Newport News Police Department for their continued partnerships by providing officers and resources to assist in the apprehension of this suspect.

Corporal Mary Shackelford will receive questions about this release at 757-846-6866.

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